

REMARKS

The title has been amended to more accurately reflect the claimed invention. No new matter has been added.

Applicant hereby files a terminal disclaimer in response to the obviousness type double patenting rejection with regard to claims 37, 38 and 40.

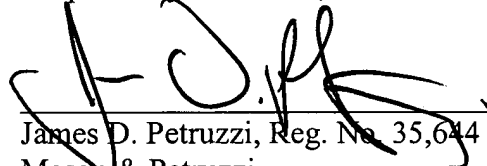
Claims 25 through 42 remain in the application. Claims 25 through 36 have been allowed.

Independent claim 37 has been amended to recite that the resulting wheels may be finished in one of a variety of pre-determined finishes. This is an attribute of the finished wheel as part of the inventive combination of this claim that is not disclosed in the prior art cited. Support for this is found in the specification at page 12, lines 18-19 and generally as described on pages 11 through 13.

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of allowance be issued in this case.

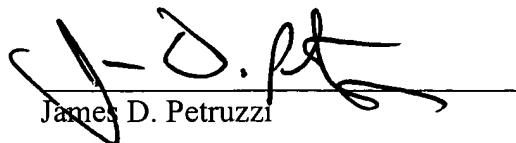
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